CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Subjects Nos. 260 to 264 were introduced by Mr. Mysore Venkataramaiya of Chitaldrug Taluk.

No. 265 by Mr. Shanbhog Venkataramanaiya of Holalkere Taluk.

No. 266 by Mr. Parvatappa of Holalkere Taluk.

No. 267 by Mr. H. S. Nanjunda Rao and Mr. Channagiri Somanna of Davangere Taluk.

No. 268 by Mr. Channagiri Somanna of Davangere Taluk.

No. 269 & 270 by Mr. Somanna of Davangere Taluk and Mr. Gurupadappa of Davangere Municipality.

Nos. 271 to 273 by Mr. P. Subbanna of Chellakare Taluk.

Subject No. 260.
A Railway line from Holalkere to Roydrug via Chitaldrug.

Summary of discussion.—The question of opening a Railway line from Holalkere to Roydrug *via* Chitaldrug may be reconsidered.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Subject No. 261
Exemption of petty vendors from the payment of rent for the use of sites in the Market.

Summary of discussion.—In the Chitaldrug Municipality, rent is levied for the use of sites in the market both from petty vendors coming from villages and from merchants dealing largely in goods. It is requested that the former be exempted from this payment as it presses heavily on them.

Reply of Government.—This is a matter for disposal by the Municipal Board.

Subject No. 262
Restoration of Baragere Tank.

Summary of discussion.—The restoration of the Baragere tank adjoining the Chitaldrug town will not only give much relief to people and cattle during scarcity of water, but also yield revenue to Government.

Reply of Government.—Referred to the Deputy Commissioner.

Subject No. 263
A loan of Rs. 25,000 to Chitaldrug Municipality for town improvement.

Summary of discussion.—The town of Chitaldrug has of late been very much improved but the people are unable to rebuild their houses in a manner in keeping with such improvement. It is therefore requested that Government may be pleased to sanction a loan of Rs. 25,000 to the Municipality so as to enable it to lend such sums as may be required by intending builders of houses on proper security.

Reply of Government.—This is a matter in which application may be made to the Municipal Board.

Subject No. 264
Exemption from duty of articles brought for *bona fide* consumption.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that dutiable articles brought into the town by the townsmen for their *bona fide* consumption may be exempted from the payment of duty.

Reply of Government.—This is not possible.

Subject No. 265
Feeder to the Hirikere Tank.

Summary of discussion.—All the valuable bagayet lands under the Hirikere tank near Holalkere have considerably suffered for want of water in the tank. The question of feeding this tank from the stream near Adanur deserves

consideration as thereby an assessment of Rs. 2,000 and a supari duty of Rs. 500 per annum would be secured to Government at an outlay of Rs. 30,000.

Reply of Government.—The project has not been favorably reported upon. The Deputy Commissioner will however investigate the matter once again.

Subject No. 266
Discontinuance of forest operations in the Chitaldrug District.

Summary of discussion.—The operations of the Forest Department in a Maidan district like Chitaldrug have led to the imposition of various restrictions highly prejudicial to the raiyat population who have long enjoyed certain privileges. Thereis a tendency to encroach upon village pasture lands and even private holdings, and after all the gain to Government is almost nil. It is therefore prayed that Forest operations may be discontinued in this District.

Reply of Government.—Under correspondence. The reasonable requirements of the people will receive due consideration.

Subject No. 267
Munsiff's Court for Davangere.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that a Munsiff's Court may soon be ordered to be opened at Davangere.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration. *Vide* No. 52 under "General Subjects."

Subject No. 268
Feeding chattram for Davangere.

Summary of discussion.—Brahmin and Gosayi travellers are put to much inconvenience owing to the want of a feeding chattram at Davangere. It is therefore prayed that a suitable building may be constructed for the purpose and that a chattram allowance not elsewhere so badly required, maybe transferred to it.

Reply of Government.—Government do not consider this necessary.

Subject No. 269
Levy of export duty at Davangere.

Summary of discussion.—The importation of food grains and other articles of consumption into this town will be handicapped by the levy of octroi duty. It is therefore prayed that, in lieu of such duty, an export duty of 3 pies per bag of all kinds of articles may be introduced. This will bring the Municipality a revenue of not less than a thousand rupees or so.

Reply of Government.—The question is under correspondence.

Subject No. 270
Road from Davangere to Anekonda.

Summary of discussion.—The opening of a road from Davangere town to Anekonda will be a boon to the inhabitants of both the places and may therefore be sanctioned.

Reply of Government.—This is a matter for the consideration of the Local Fund Board.

Subject No. 271
Reduction of Banga yet rates on lands under wells.

Summary of discussion.—Most of the wet lands in the Challakere Taluk are irrigated by kapile wells. During the taram jamabandi, lands below tanks and channels were